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THE CIRCULATION OF

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CONTINUES TO BOOM.

April 6.....60,470
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April 27.....63,720
May 4.....65,930
May 11.....85,720

SATURDAY, MAY 17, 1890.

AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE—Mrs. Holman Hightell.
Forsythe—Wendell.
EXETER—Andrews' Circus.
MATINEES TO-MORROW.
Forsythe—"A Pair of Jacks."

Weather forecast for twenty-four hours, beginning at 8 a. m. to-day, for Missouri: Fair, warmer weather; southerly winds.

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NEW ORLEANS is getting ready for a Vigilance Committee.

The case of the State against the Noland bondsmen is still open.

THERE are all the signs of a flood in the circulation of the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH to-morrow.

The lottery syndicate has bid \$25,000,000 for the honor of Louisiana. Will the people of that State close the bargain?

THERE will be no Sergeant-at-Arms to keep Republican voters from upsetting the schemes of the politicians at the polls Tuesday.

The circulation figures of to-morrow's SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH will make interesting and valuable statistics for St. Louis advertisers.

THERE are contests and contests just as there are newspapers and newspapers. The contests gotten up by the POST-DISPATCH have a way of succeeding.

THE duty of saving the public schools from disaster continues to be shamefully neglected by School Directors who care more for their own personal schemes than for the schools.

We promised our advertisers last Sunday a circulation of 80,000 copies and gave them nearly 86,000. We are able to prove them for to-morrow a circulation of more than 100,000.

THE voters were debarred from expressing their wishes in the nomination of the Republican candidate for Col. Flad's place, but they can express their wishes vigorously at the polls.

NEWSPAPERS which prefer to keep out of trip-to-Europe contests are free to keep out; but they do not help themselves by attempting to disparage the success which follows popular and well-managed contests.

THE three great elements of successful journalism are news, circulation and advertising, and they will be combined in to-morrow's SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH to a degree never before reached by a St. Louis newspaper.

AS LONG as the railroads are permitted to discriminate against St. Louis in freight rates the growth of the city's manufacturing and commercial interests will be retarded. In the end the railroads suffer as much as the city.

THE prediction of the POST-DISPATCH that CARLISLE would be nominated for the Senate last night was realized. When the final result came no one was in the race against the ex-speaker. The votes cast for his opponents were mere compliments.

THE issue on the special election to fill Col. Flad's place has been made up by the nomination of Street Commissioner BURNETT by Democrats in public convention, and the nomination of J. G. JONES by Republican politicians in secret executive session.

SENIOR SENATOR SAYS OUR RAYAL COMMISSIONS are doing the same thing and that

SUNDAY PAPERS.

The M. E. Church South General Conference Asked to Denounce Them.

Overtures From the Protestant Episcopal Church Replied To.

Relation of the Church to the Southern Negro—Mouquee spoiled by a Practical Delegate—M. V. Phillips of Texas introduces a Resolution Denouncing Opium, Tobacco, Cigarettes and Ministers Who Set Bad Examples to the Boys—The Delegates Postpone Consideration Indefinitely—A Bit of Politics—Speaks of Brightness in a Dull Season.

Today's session of the M. E. Church, South, General Conference was the dulllest held since the beginning. The reason of this lay in the fact that it was the last day for the introduction of new business. There was considerable new business introduced, mainly of technical nature, such as minor changes in the "Discipline."

There was little discussion of an interesting nature, as there was no room for it. The Committee on Fraternal Correspondence, to whom was referred a communication, asking the General Conference to appoint commissioners to visit the missionaries to be appointed by the House of Bishops and House of Deputies of the Protestant Episcopal Church for conference on organic union, etc., reported recommending no conference.

The report was very tart in tone, and excited commendable smiles from the Bishops and delegates. The vote of the conference was unanimous in favor of the report. A resolution was introduced signed by U. R. H. Smith, of the Missouri Conference, and was adopted. It was a resolution to the effect that it was a lamentable fact that the circulation of Sunday papers was so small, and that it was a matter of regret that the people who read them were so few.

The Louisiana Lottery is one of the relics of Federal control of the elections in that State. It was fastened upon the people by Federal bayonets and the votes of ignorant negroes. By its control of the negro vote the lottery compelled the Democrats to acquiesce in the extension of its franchise, and the presence of a powerful, but purchasable, Republican vote is the only thing that makes uncertain the result of the effort of the Government and the intelligent voters to erase the dark stain of that villainous lottery partnership from the State's escutcheon.

The length to which rabid prohibitionists will go if allowed to follow their own desires is shown by the provision of the Kansas law which has just been declared unconstitutional by Judge CROZIER of Leavenworth. This provision forced Assistant Attorney-Generals in seeking information concerning violations of the liquor laws to imprison men who they believed held back testimony of value in the enforcement of the laws. The Assistant Attorney-Generals had power to do this without reference to any court. No legislature, except one of which the prohibition craze had complete possession, would dream of adopting a law so contrary to both the letter and spirit of American constitutions.

INGALLS' speech on the death of Congressman BURNETT was hailed as the most brilliant, profound and philosophic production of the Kansas Senator. It was regarded as INGALLS' answer to INGERSOLL's hopeless wall over the coffin of his brother. The fact that it was cribbed almost word for word from the ancient sermon of a famous bishop did not make it less effective for the purpose. INGALLS had in view. It tended to correct a growing distrust among orthodox Republicans of Kansas that INGALLS was one of INGERSOLL's disciples. He showed sound judgment in selecting the eloquence that would suit his purpose and in changing the language of the original so little. Any disguise sufficient to conceal the plagiarism would have spoiled the performance.

Want advertisers should not forget that "The Jersey," which was free to every "want" advertiser in to-morrow's SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH, closes the series of "want" pictures. Don't fail to get one.

Flax raising at the John J. Ross School yesterday afternoon was a very grand affair. Prior to the event of the day an oil painting of the late Capt. J. J. Ross, who was presented by Mrs. Emma Copelin to the school, was unveiled by Miss Beale McCabe. At a meeting in the school yard Mr. Jack P. Richardson, president, and Superintendent Long was also present. Several speeches were made and a bunch of flowers. The children sang "Hail Columbia," a salute of forty-two bombs was fired and the flag was raised.

Mr. F. L. Marshall, representing the POST-DISPATCH on "Change," will be on the floor during business hours and will call on merchants who desire to make use of the POST-DISPATCH market reports. Telephone 234.

DAMROSCH-BLAINE.

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THE BELLEVILLE CELEBRATION.

Heavy Arrival of Visitors This Morning. Programs for This Afternoon.

This is St. Clair County's gala day. The celebration of the county's centennial anniversary is in progress this afternoon and the city is full of people. Visitors from all parts of Illinois have been constantly arriving all the morning, and the number of strangers now to be seen in Belleville can only be counted by hundreds and thousands. All public buildings and business houses and many dwellings are gaily decked with bright colors in honor of the occasion.

The members of the Reception Committee were kept busy during the forenoon receiving visitors. Messrs. W. J. Underwood, Cyrus Thompson, James Krill and G. J. Brueggeman were stationed at the passenger depot of the Air Line road. Gen. W. A. Powell, Dr. J. H. K. [Name], and J. W. [Name] were stationed at the Cairo Short Line. Deputies and J. W. [Name] were stationed at the [Name] [Name].

Representative and Mrs. Hill of Illinois sent a mahogany chest containing twelve dozen plates of silver, a dozen each of dinner, breakfast, tea and apparatus knives and forks, with spoons for each course and bowls of every size and description.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Blaine give a case containing silver and vegetable dishes of beaten silver.

Secretary Tracy's gift is a silver bowl for small fruit.

Mr. and Mrs. John McLean give a silver and mahogany chest containing twelve dozen plates of silver, a dozen each of dinner, breakfast, tea and apparatus knives and forks, with spoons for each course and bowls of every size and description.

Mr. and Mrs. William Walter Phelps have sent five pieces of silver—a conservé bon dish of silver, a silver bowl, a silver plate, a silver cup and a silver spoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Harrison's present is a silver bowl for small fruit.

The members of the Cabinet united in a gift of twenty gold goblets, the stands set with rubies.

Mr. Damrosch's gift to the bride was a string of diamonds for the neck and diamond earrings.

Mr. Damrosch's mother sent a superb lace handkerchief.

Mr. Blaine's present was a quantity of exquisite household linen.

There are numerous other miscellaneous gifts in addition. It is said the spoons would fill a bushel basket and there have been sixty or more of them.

There are also many beautiful and valuable social ornaments representing every variety of the jeweler's art and there are tables full of bric-a-brac and rare paintings.

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